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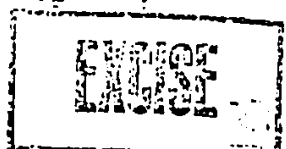
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ABU DHABI PASS DUBAI

E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR  
TAGS: PARM, ETTC, CBW, CH, IR  
SUBJECT: CHINESE INFORMED OF INFORMATION ON ARRIVAL TIME  
OF "YIN HE"; STILL INVESTIGATING  
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1. CONFIDENTIAL -- ENTIRE TEXT.

2. SUMMARY: THE AMBASSADOR AUGUST 3 DELIVERED REFTTEL INFORMATION ON THE PRESENT STATUS OF THE CHINESE VESSEL "YIN HE" TO PRC ASSISTANT FOREIGN MINISTER QIN HUASUN. THE AMBASSADOR STRESSED THE URGENCY OF THE SITUATION AND THAT THE KEY WAS TO PREVENT THE CHEMICALS IN QUESTION FROM BEING DELIVERED TO IRAN. QIN THANKED THE AMBASSADOR FOR THE INFORMATION, ASSERTED THE CHINESE INVESTIGATION WAS CONTINUING AND SAID THE CHINESE WOULD STUDY THE THREE OPTIONS PRESENTED BY THE U.S. [REDACTED]

END SUMMARY.

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3. THE AMBASSADOR MET AUGUST 3 WITH PRC ASSISTANT FOREIGN MINISTER QIN HUASUN TO DELIVER REFTEL INFORMATION ON THE TIMING OF THE ARRIVAL OF THE CHINESE VESSEL "YIN HE" IN DUBAI. THE AMBASSADOR NOTED THAT EAP PDAS TOMSEN HAD DISCUSSED THIS MATTER A FEW HOURS EARLIER WITH THE CHINESE EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. DRAWING FROM REFTEL TALKING POINTS, THE AMBASSADOR INFORMED QIN THAT THE "YIN HE" WAS DUE TODAY, AUGUST 3, AT THE PORT OF DUBAI, BUT THAT OUR  
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INFORMATION WAS THAT THE SHIP WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO DOCK.

4. THE AMBASSADOR STRESSED THE URGENCY OF THE SITUATION, POINTING OUT THAT THE VESSEL WAS CLOSE TO IRAN AND THAT IT  
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WAS OF THE GREATEST IMPORTANCE THAT THE SHIP'S CARGO NOT BE DELIVERED TO IRAN. THE AMBASSADOR LAID OUT FOR QIN THE THREE OPTIONS IN REFTEL TALKING POINTS.

5. QIN THANKED THE AMBASSADOR FOR THE NEW INFORMATION AND STATED THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT TOOK THE U.S. INFORMATION VERY SERIOUSLY. HE SAID THAT AS A SOVEREIGN STATE CHINA HAD ADOPTED REGULATIONS ON THE EXPORT OF DANGEROUS CHEMICALS AND DECLARED THAT CHINA WAS FULLY AWARE OF ITS INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS, WHICH IT TOOK VERY SERIOUSLY.

6. QIN RESTATED THAT CHINA WAS CARRYING OUT AN INVESTIGATION AND TOLD THE AMBASSADOR THAT CHINA WOULD INFORM THE U.S. OF THE RESULTS. QIN PROMISED TO REPORT FULLY THE AMBASSADOR'S DEMARCHE, AND SAID HE WOULD PUT FORWARD TO HIS LEADERS FOR STUDY THE THREE OPTIONS THE AMBASSADOR HAD PROPOSED. QIN ACKNOWLEDGED THE AMBASSADOR'S REPEATED POINT THAT THE SITUATION WAS URGENT.

7. COMMENT: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WE HAVE STRESSED TO THEM THAT WE ARE AVAILABLE AT ANY TIME TO RECEIVE FURTHER INFORMATION OR A RESPONSE TO OUR THREE OPTIONS. ROY

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